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**REMARKS**

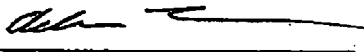
Initially, applicants would like to thank Examiner Nguyen for taking the time to conduct an interview in his office. As discussed in the interview, applicants are filing an RCE and amending the claims in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are now in condition for allowance and request an early action to that effect.

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 449122015200.

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